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September 6, 2007

Douglas R. Failing District Director, Caltrans District 7 100 S. Main St., Suite 100 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Director Failing,

I am writing to request that Caltrans temporarily suspend operation of a ramp meter in Sherman Oaks, to prevent traffic back-up during the holiday season. The meter in question is on the northbound U.S. 101 Woodman Avenue on-ramp. This ramp is the primary means for traffic leaving the Westfield Fashion Square mall to board the 101 Freeway, and during the holiday shopping season this traffic stretches up north Woodman Avenue.

I have been informed by Mr. Jules Feir of the Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association that in the past, Caltrans turned off this ramp meter from November 15 through January 10. If you determine that it remains safe to do so, I would request that a similar suspension take place this year.

Sincerely,

Assemblymember Mike Feuer

42nd District

Jules Feir cc: